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AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: GATT, ETRD, AS, NZ

SUBJECT: JULY 11 GATT COUNCIL: NAFTA BIENNIAL REPORT

REF: (A) GENEVA 5034;

(B) CANBERRA 3087, 6/4/73;

(C) WELLINGTON 1426, 6/2/73;

(D) STATE 102264, 5/29/73

1. EMBASSY NOTES FROM REF (A) THAT JULY 11 GATT COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA INCLUDES DISCUSSION OF AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND FREE TRADE AREA BIENNIAL REPORT. USMISSION GENEVA RECOMMENDS, SUBJECT NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN REPORT, THAT U.S. TAKE POSITION SIMILAR TO LAST GATT COUNCIL REVIEW IN 1973 AS OUTLINED REF (D).

2. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT GOA AND GNZ MADE INFORMAL BUT POINTED REPRESENTATIONS TO EMBASSIES CANBERRA AND WELLINGTON
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RESPECTIVELY FOLLOWING MAY 1973 GATT COUNCIL REVIEW AND

SUGGESTED THAT IN FUTURE ANY USG CONCERNS OVER OPERATION OF NAFTA AGREEMENT BE EXPLORED PRIVATELY ON BILATERAL BASIS BEFORE U.S. TOOK CRITICAL POSITION PUBLICLY IN GATT COUNCIL. AS MINIMUM THEY REQUESTED THEY BE ALERTED IN ADVANCE OF SUCH U.S. INTENTIONS. THESE REPRESENTATIONS BY GOA AND GNZ SUMMARIZED IN REFS (B) AND (C).

3. IN LIGHT OF THIS HISTORY, EMBASSY ANXIOUS TO AVOID EMBARRASSING REPETITION OF 1973 SCENARIO.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY IS ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN IN CANBERRA COPY OF NAFTA BIENNIAL REPORT IN ORDER TO FORWARD DEPARTMENT ANY COMMENTS OF OUR OWN IT MAY SUGGEST. MEANWHILE, WE ESPECIALLY REQUEST DEPARTMENT PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH ADVANCE INDICATION OF ANY POSITION USG DECIDES TO TAKE DURING GENEVA DISCUSSIONS AND AUTHORIZE EMBASSY TO BRIEF GOA IN ADVANCE OF GATT COUNCIL MEETING IN ORDER AVOID ANY IRRITATING SURPRISES IN GENEVA.

5. PRESUME EMBASSY WELLINGTON WOULD APPRECIATE SIMILAR NOTICE AND AUTHORITY.

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